(ii) Application of Model Code of Conduct of the Election in certain States (like Bihar in December, 1994) and the Lok Sabha General Elections during 1996;

(iii) Late receipt of recommendations/non-receipt of recommendations from the Members of Parliament concerned; and

(iv) Changes in recommendations by Members of Parliament.

(d) The guidelines of Members of Parliament Local Area Development Scheme were revised in February, 1997 and it is expected that utilisation of MPLADS funds may gain momentum.

Plan Investment by States

3130. SHRI SANJAY DALMIA: Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) the defaulting States which have not achieved the targeted Plan investment for 1995-96;

(b) the main reasons for not utilising the Plan investments, State-wise;

(c) the action taken by Government against the major defaulting States during the above period; and

(d) the extent to which their Plan outlay for 1996-97 was reduced?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION AND MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (SHRI YOGINDER K. ALAGH): (a) to (d) Under the existing guidelines of the Planning Commission, the normal plan assistance from the Central Government is given to the States to the full extend if the actual plan expenditure of the States does not fall below the originally approved outlay and the expenditure for earmarked sectors/schemes does not fall below the approved outlays for the same. In case of special category states, they are allowed to use upto 20% of plan assistance to meet their non plan gap and cuts in central assistance are applied keeping the above in consideration. The actual expenditure figures for Annual Plan 1995-96 for the States are not yet available. Planning Commission had approved revised Plan outlays at a lower level than the originally approved outlays in respect of 16 States whose list is at Statement (See below). The main reason for revised outlays of these States being lower than the originally approved outlays was the shortfall in achieving the projected figures of States' own resources. The question of imposing a cut in Central assistance in respect of these States will arise if the total expenditure turns out to be lower than revised approved outlay or the actual expenditure for earmarked sector/schemes falls below the approved outlays for them. The originally approved outlays for all the States in 1996-97 were at a higher level as compared to their revised outlays for 1995-96.

Statement

List of the States

1. Andhra Pradesh
2. Arunachal Pradesh
3. Assam
4. Bihar
5. Goa
6. Haryana
7. Karnataka
8. Madhya Pradesh
9. Manipur
10. Meghalaya
11. Nagaland
12. Orissa
13. Punjab
14. Sikkim
15. Tripura
16. Uttar Pradesh

ग्रामीण क्षेत्रों में पिछड़ेपन और बेरोजगारी को हल करने के लिए योजनाएं

3131. श्री नागमणि: क्या योजना और कार्यक्रम कार्यान्वयन मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या सरकार ने बिहार के ग्रामीण क्षेत्रों और अन्य पिछड़े राज्यों में पिछड़ेपन और बेरोजगारी की समस्या को हल करने के लिए कोई योजना तैयार की है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो योजनाओं की प्रमुख विशेषताएं क्या हैं;

(ग) क्या इस संबंध में कोई सर्वेक्षण किया गया है; और

(घ) यदि हां, तो तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या है?

योजना और कार्यक्रम कार्यान्वयन मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री तथा विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री योगेन्द्र कुमार भगतराम अलघ): (के) से (घ) किसी राज्य के अंतर्गत ग्रामीण क्षेत्रों में पिछड़ेपन और बेरोजगारी की समस्याओं के समाधान के लिए समुचित योजना बनाने की जिम्मेदारी मुख्य रूप से संबंधित राज्य सरकार की होती है। फिर भी, केन्द्रीय सरकार बिहार सहित देश के ग्रामीण क्षेत्रों में गरीबी और बेरोजगारी की समस्या को सुलझाने के लिए एकीकृत ग्रामीण विकास कार्यक्रम (आईआरडीपी), जवाहर रोजगार योजना (जेआरवाई), रोजगार आश्वासन स्कीम (ईएएस) जैसे विभिन्न गरीबी उन्मूलन कार्यक्रमों को क्रियान्वित कर रही है। जहां आईआरडीपी एक लाभकारी कार्यक्रम है, वहीं अन्य दो कार्यक्रम मजदूरी रोजगार कार्यक्रम हैं। सीमा क्षेत्र विकास कार्यक्रम (बीएडीपी), पहाड़ी क्षेत्र विकास कार्यक्रम (एचएडीपी), सूखा प्रवण क्षेत्र कार्यक्रम (डीपीएपी) तथा जनजातीय उप-योजना (टीएसपी) जैसे विशेष कार्यक्रमों को विशिष्ट राज्यों के विनिर्दिष्ट क्षेत्रों में क्रियान्वित किया जा रहा है। योजना आयोग ने पिछड़े क्षेत्रों के लिए कोई सर्वेक्षण नहीं कराया है। तथापि राष्ट्रीय प्रतिदर्श सर्वेक्षण संगठन बेरोजगारी के आकलन के लिए देश भर में पंचवार्षिक सर्वेक्षण कराता है। ऐसा अंतिम सर्वेक्षण एनएसएसओ के 50वें दौर अर्थात 1993-94 में कराया गया था।

Annual Plan outlay for Punjab

3132. SHRI IQBAL SINGH: Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) the annual plan outlay for 1997-98 sought for by Punjab and the outlay sanctioned;

(b) the industrial and agricultural growth rate contemplated thereunder;

(c) the targets fixed thereunder; and

(d) the steps being taken or proposed to be taken by Government to achieve the aforesaid target?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION AND MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (SHRI YOGINDER K. ALAGH): (a) to (d) The Annual Plan 1997-98 for Punjab State is yet to be finalised.

Effective implementation of centrally sponsored schemes in Punjab

3133. SHRI IQBAL SINGH: Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Planning Commission has formulated any plan to effectively implement various centrally sponsored schemes in different States, particularly in Punjab, district-wise;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the effective measures being taken or proposed to be taken by Government to make these schemes more effective?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION AND MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (SHRI YOGINDER K. ALAGH): (a) to (d) The responsibility for implementation of Centrally Sponsored Schemes in States is that of the respective State Government and these are monitored by the concerned Department/ Ministries of Government of India. However, a detailed exercise has been undertaken in the Planning Commission with regard to transfer of Centrally Sponsored schemes to States. A note prepared on this subject has been discussed by the Internal Planning Commission. A revised paper is being prepared which will be circulated to all State Governments/UTs and concerned Central Ministries for their comments. Thereafter a final report will be prepared for the approval of the Full Planning Commission before it is submitted to the NDC for a final decision.